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"THE SIGN OF THE CROSS" GIVEN AT ST. JOSEPH COLLEGE

James Francis O'Donnell, the Great Monologue Actor, Entertains at the College, with the Presentation of "The Sign of the Cross."

St. Joseph College enjoyed a rare treat on Tuesday evening, October 17, when Mr. James Francis O'Donnell, the talented and well known monologue actor, presented Wilson Barrett's drama, "The Sign of the Cross."

Mr. O'Donnell's presentation last May of "Handy Andy" and "Richelieu" had not been forgotten, but his audience enjoyed his rendition last Tuesday even more than it had his previous ones.

"The Sign of the Cross" is a gripping tale of the persecutions of the early Christians, under Nero, and through it is woven a most beautiful romance. The story itself is full of interest, and as presented by Mr. O'Donnell in full Roman costume, cannot fail to carry the hearer along. The audience laughed at the humorous Blabrio, a devotee of Bacchus, it sympathized with the boy Stephanus when he was tortured by the guards, and it rejoiced as the pagan Marcus Superbus, Prefect of Rome, was converted at the last moment and bravely met death in the arena with his beloved Mercia.

Mr. O'Donnell has been on the American platform for twenty years, during which time he has presented "The Sign of the Cross," the leading number of his repertoire, more than two thousand times. This long period of dramatic work has given him the perfection of technique that time and experience alone can impart.

All who were so fortunate as to hear Mr. O'Donnell are one in their appreciation of his reading of "The Sign of the Cross" and in their desire to hear him again.

—L. T. B.

Several other speakers belonging to the same circuit as Mr. O'Donnell will visit St. Joseph College some time during the present scholastic year. The next entertainment will be given November 17.—(Editor's note.)

PUBLIC PROGRAM PRESENTED BY THE C. L. S. ON COLUMBUS DAY.

The Columbian Literary society presented their first public program to the students and faculty on Wednesday evening, October 11. According to a custom that has existed for a number of years, this date is the one set for the formal acceptance of office by the society's newly elected president. Andrew Brunswick chose "Columbus day" as his subject. The origin of the holiday as well as the man himself, after whom it was

named, and who looms up larger and larger in history as time widens the breach of separation from him, came in for treatment. Particularly did he emphasize the debt of gratitude all Americans of both continents owe him.

Another feature of the program was the debate, "Resolved, that the continuance of Woodrow Wilson in office would be of greater benefit to the country than the election of Hughes."

Although the respective speakers were very different in their style of delivery and method of handling this subject, both sides of the question were treated in all fairness, and no feeling of any kind was aroused either between the debaters themselves or the students in general. The following is the program for the evening:

Selection By College Band
Debate Affirmative, C. Staab,
Negative, F. Hermiller.

Essay on Newman A. Koenig
Selection Band
"Taming a Tiger" Farce in One Act
Cast

Mr. Chutnee P. Fogarty
Mr. Beeswing J. Stewart
Jacob (servant) Bignani

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR SPEAKS AT ST. JOE

On the afternoon of Sunday, October 15, the "citizens" of Collegeville enjoyed a very interesting and sane talk on the main issues of the present campaign and especially on what the Democrats have done for Indiana, by Mr. John Adair, the Democratic candidate for the office of governor of this state. Mr. Adair has a personality which cannot but impress itself favorably upon the minds of his hearers and which makes it an easy matter for him to hold the entire interest of an audience while speaking. He stated that he would return to St. Joseph after his election, which he takes as a matter of course. Whether elected or not, however, we assure Mr. Adair a warm welcome at any time.

BROTHER WILLIAM RETURNS

Brother William returned to the college on Wednesday, October 11, and was able to assume his old duties at once. The Cheer, as representative of the student-body, welcomes Brother William home and hopes that his convalescence will be rapid and complete.

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ATHLETIC NOTES.

ST. JOE WINS FROM ROSELAND

On Sunday, October 15, St. Joe defeated the fast Roseland aggregation by the score of seven to nothing. The battle was closely fought from start to finish. During the first quarter the ball was carried up and down the field while both teams tried in vain to score. The first period ended with the ball in St. Joe's possession on Roseland's forty-yard line. In the second quarter in an end around end play Hunt carried the ball thirty yards before he was stopped. Mac went through center for five more, and Bruin hit off right tackle for a touchdown. Just before the first half ended, Bruin kicked a goal making the score seven to nothing. The whole second half was much the same as the first quarter, the ball was carried up the field, lost and carried back again. Hunt at right end and Wellman at right half-back starred. Captain McLaughlin was there as usual with his line plunges. Schmidt, by the generalship he showed in this game, proves that he is the right man for quarter. Left end was rather slow in getting out for passes, but with a few days of practice that should be overcome.

In all, the team showed up wonderfully for the first game of the season. It was clean, and does credit to the sportsmanship of both teams. We hope to see more of such games in the future.

Lineup:

St. Joe—

Scanlon	Center
Shaffer	Right Guard
Helfrich and O'Brien....	Left Guard
Vonder Haegen.....	Right Tackle
Vonder Haar.....	Left Tackle
Hunt	Right End
Antl	Left End
Schmidt	Quarterback
McLaughlin	Left Half Back
Wellman	Right Half Back
Bruin	Full Back

The pleasing feature of Sunday's game was the large crowd of Rensselaer high school students, who attended the game and helped St. Joe win by their rooting. This manifestation of good will toward the college is highly appreciated by the students, and it is most certain that they will return the favor, whenever the opportunity presents itself.

TURNER HALL

Turner Hall, which was closed for a few days, during which new gymnastic apparatus was installed, has again been opened to the students.

A very superficial view of this room will convince anyone that it is furnished with the best apparatus. St. Joe boasts of having the finest gymnasium in the middle West. She may also

assert that it is the best equipped gym. Especially is this true regarding Turner Hall. Whatever enters this hall is of the latest design and built with a view to both its usefulness and durability. The Reverend Director has spent nearly \$650 besides much labor in equipping this room, and the students can show their appreciation by using the equipment in the proper manner.

The following apparatus has been installed and ready for use: A horse, buck, parallel bar, adjustable horizontal and vaulting bar, single adjustable trapeze, adjustable flying rings, climbing pole, climbing rope, hoisting rope, adjustable striking bag drum and bag, suspended lunger, springing board, besides Indian clubs, 100-pound bar bell, wooden adjustable vaulting standards, tight rope wire, etc.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL GAME

St. Joe has the football craze. Not only do the members of the regular squad practice every day, but a team of juniors is almost always on the field. Last Wednesday we enjoyed a game played by two picked junior squads. Although it was rather a one-sided affair, Captain Melcher's warriors running up a score of 65 while their opponents under Captain Huber could only score one touchdown, it was interesting to watch from the side lines.

The fact that so much interest is being taken in football speaks well for the students. For if students do not interest themselves in the national collegiate game, in what will they become interested?

GET IN THE GAME

Of late, many students are spending all their free time either in the study halls or in the library. You never see these particular students in the gym or on the campus engaging in any of the sports. It is praiseworthy to see a boy do a little extra studying, spend some time each day in the library, but to be a book-worm, that is another question. Come out and get in the games. But do not do as some do: stand to one side and pass remarks regarding how things should be done—but show how to do them. By doing this you will be boosting St. Joe in athletics and have teams that are an honor to the school.

SMOKING CLUB MEETING

A meeting of the Smoking club was called Saturday, October 7, by the president, Martin Busetter. About thirty new students were voted in as members of the club. It was decided at this meeting to again rent a piano for the coming school year. Shortly before the close of the meeting the Reverend Director again explained the new rules regarding smoking and requested all members of the club to abide by the rules.

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EDITORIALS.**THE STORY**

There are always two sides to a story. To hear one side and shut one's ears to the other is injustice. This holds good in every case. Gossip is the root of many an evil, for to tell to one a story without both sides is to tell to a thousand. You may say "Now, don't tell anyone," but it is soon found to be known to all in a short time. The gossip is a liar in most cases, for he likes to paint it a little darker here and there than it really should be painted. He takes a delight in finding out other people's business and in making known other people's faults. We should all be like the English poetess, Hannah Moore, who, when a gossip came to tell her a story about a person, would say to the gossip, "Let us go at once to that person, and see if this story is true." This one-sided story telling causes much discontent and dislike among the hearers. It sows a seed of hatred in the hearts of the hearers against the victim. Be mindful that this is not charity—try making friends. Friends are worth more than gold, according to that old saying—"A friend in need is a friend indeed." Again one does not want to hold a gossip as a friend because if he talks about one person, he talks about all. If each of us would adopt Hannah Moore's method there would be less hard feeling and less back-biting.

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CONCENTRATION

Sometimes your work just dashes itself off your hands and brain. You feel light of spirit and teeming with energy. Life discloses new vistas. Obstacles are easily overcome, and the world like a moving picture theater when you have a jitney in your pocket. And again, have you experienced the weary, dreary hours when you drag yourself to your work, which, like a balky mule, it seems impossible to advance; when nothing goes right and you pray for 8:30 p. m. and the haystack?

In the first mood you do your best, your most brilliant work. In most students the second mood might be called their day off, but in a few others this lethargical state is due to indifference, wrong living, or willful laziness, and for these this second mood becomes the rule, the first the exception. We pity them, they miss the big joy, the exaltation which only work well done can give; they

remain stationary while others pass on, and yet they wonder why. If they sincerely seek a remedy, here is one: When work seems hardest work hardest. You will find that this steadfast concentration on your studies will soon bring results and you will be surprised at the amount of brains which were dormant in you and which you never thought you had.

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ORDER

"Order is the first law of heaven," it has been said. We can't recall who made this statement. But whoever he was he probably knew what he was talking about. Anyway, what we want to say is, that judging from the actions of a few students, St. Joe is not heaven but—some place quite different. The students to whom we refer are those who take delight in littering the campus with paper and rubbish of all kinds, who don't realize what a waste-basket was made for and not thinking it worth while to enquire, throw their apple cores and other waste matter on the floor of the study halls, the locker rooms, the gymnasium, etc. Spitting on the floor is another of their pastimes. Of course, if they do these things while at home, we ought to have no objection either, for we want every student to feel at home here also. Don't be so thoughtless. If you keep good order we don't promise you to make St. Joe a paradise, but you will succeed in lightening the work of the authorities and in giving the buildings and grounds a neater and more home-like appearance. Besides, guarding your actions in this direction you will discipline yourself to be more careful and conscientious in matters more serious.

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JIGGERS! EXAMINATIONS!

We were talking to a friend of ours this morning. He said: "Sh— Exams are only two days off and I'm not prepared for them yet. See that fellow over there? He isn't worrying about the coming tests. While I sat around and wondered why the time passed so slowly, he studied. I was so dull I didn't know that dull hours exist only for dull people; he was wise and knew that happiness comes with work well done and in this instance requires only a little studying. 'Happiness is cheap enough, yet how deadly we pay for its counterfeit.' Yes, maybe I will pay for my idleness by 'flunking' in these exams, but that won't dishearten me for I realize that I, and I alone, will be the cause of my failure and I will redeem myself and do better the next time. After all, many a success has grown out of a failure. Many men can take a retrospective glance at their past life and see that what were seemingly failures were in reality stepping stones to success. So if I fail I'll say to myself, 'Take heart and try again.'"

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COURTESY

In the constant contact through long association there is apt to be a lack of friendly greetings and delicate attentions which visitors and strangers receive. This is especially true of college life. You often see one student pass another without so much as a friendly nod, and a "Pardon me," or

a "Thank you" are very rare, indeed. Treat your fellow students courteously at all times and you may be sure you will be shown the same thoughtful politeness. Did you ever notice how good you feel when a friend greets you with "Gee, old sport, you're looking fine?" Yes, sir, such greetings seem to tone up your whole system and cause you to feel like a new man and it isn't so difficult to be polite and kind after all. Just try it. The spirit that prompts little attentions and the habit which preserves them will banish hard feeling, sharp words and alienations that naturally and easily come in times of difference of judgment or conflict of interest.

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ONLY AIR, AND YET—

Pneumonia season will soon be here. Medical authorities agree that nearly all the cases of this disease are due to two things: Our modern heating system and the shutting out of fresh air from our homes and the places where we work. Still, we can readily counteract these conditions. Don't be afraid of cold air or fresh air. Get out, every chance you get, and take a brisk walk about the grounds. Now is the time, when the chill of autumn comes on, to harden yourself to the cool air and thus save yourself from getting a cold later on, every time a little draught strikes you. As a student, a healthy person, as a sensible man, you need fresh air and plenty of it. Don't mope around indoors these days, get outside, it will do you a world of good and will soon become a source of real enjoyment to you. Let's give it a trial. More fresh air for mine!

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The treasury department reports a shortage of \$1 bills. We beg to make a similar report. Have you paid your Cheer subscription?

An investigation committee arrived at the college a few days ago to inspect the new fire escapes. The last we saw of them, they were intent upon the north side fire escape of the main building. A report of "Not safe, watch your step," may be turned in by these gentlemen.

JUST ONE BETTER

"Now, students, can any one tell me of a greater power than a king."

"Yes, Father," answered Deutsch, "an ace."

Bill Manley—I'll bet two butters, I holler after the lights go out."

Bro. William (a little later)—"You lose the butters, Manley, report at the office."

Selfishness is suicidal. He who lives for self suffers much, accomplishes little, and dies a failure.

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ST. XAVIER NEWS

By Albert Scheiner.

The members of the St. X. A. A. convened Saturday, October 7, to ratify the amendments of the constitution and to install new officers for the ensuing term. Messrs. Jerome Hoepf, president; John Raycroft, secretary; Fredrick Lucks, basket-ball manager; Joseph Raible, assistant manager, and Aloys Feldhaus, Henry Friedel and Edward Von der Haar, advisory board, were elected. The Reverend Director made some very appropriate remarks to the effect that nothing would please him more than that great enthusiasm be shown by all the members to make this year's season of basket-ball as successful a one as was the outgoing one of baseball and tennis. We are sure that this shall be the case, for not a minute of free time elapses but what there are some in the gymnasium perfecting themselves in "finding" the circle.

The outlook for this year is as favorable, if not more so, as ever before. All pitch in and "make 'er hum!" The scholastic year would be dreary indeed were the vital enthusiasm for sports to be lost!

WHY?

A flowerlet bloomed in a shaded bower,
In innocent slumber, concealed from the world.
It fainted and died in an evil hour.
Why?

A carefree bird, ensconced in its nest
Looked out on the world with widening eyes.
It fell to the earth, at another's request.
Why?

A leaf still young and devoid of all fears
Released its firm hold on the parent arm.
It fell, and was stained with blushes and tears.
Why?

SMILING!

Why not smile? It costs nothing and makes you and others all the happier for it! We need it! The philosophic scowl and the sanctimonious rigidity of features is in good stead at a funeral, or at the morgue, but in the company of jolly fellows forget your cold reserve and cheer your neighbor with the sunshine of your countenance.

There is the pleasant, appreciative smile and the darkly sinister one. The one rises from the pure heart like the gentle unfolding of the rose: the more open it is the more beauty and sweetness are revealed! The other is born of a shrinking from disclosure of self. Fountains of bitter water must well up their evil flood, but the heart

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SOCIETY NOTES

NEWMAN CLUB NOTES

A meeting of the Newman club was called on Sunday, October 8, by the president, William Murphy. No important business was carried on, except by the executive committee, which arranged the dates for programs.

A private program of the Newman club was held on Sunday, October 8. All members were more than satisfied with the work done by the participants of the program. The following took part in the evening's entertainment: Messrs. W. Murphy, A. Dirksen, G. Bauer, J. O'Brien, C. Feltes, S. Oberhauser, N. Schaal, U. Rauh, F. Weiss and Jos. Duenser.

ALTAR SOCIETY NOTES

A meeting of the Altar society was held on Sunday, October 15. The Reverend Director exhorted the new members to learn the mass prayers. He also explained the use of the vestments and their signification, which was very timely and interesting, because before this instruction the wearing of the vestments meant nothing to some of the members.

C. L. S. NOTES

On Sunday, October 8, the Columbian Literary society held a meeting in the auditorium. The main topic of discussion at the meeting was the new arrangement of the society, which was put before the house by the Reverend Director. He wished to do away with the morning meeting and have it before the private programs, in which case it would enable the society to have more programs per session than under the old regime. However, it was not passed as a new law as yet. Many members are in favor of this new plan, but others like the old plan.

Private Program

The members of the Columbian Literary society were delightfully entertained by a private program on Sunday evening, October 15. It consisted of several recitations, a debate, and farce in one act, the latter being given in a first-class way. Messrs. Kuhn and Raycroft are to be commended very highly on the way they acted their parts. The music was rendered by members of the society.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY NOTES

The following is a complete list of the consultants of the Holy Name society for the first session: Messrs. Bustetter, Lause, Hogan, Schmidt, Wendling, Gaul, Boehnlein, Hackett, Clarence Cron and Mitchell. The officers and consultants for the religious students are: Hoepf, first vice president; Ley, secretary; Luetkemeyer, Rauh, Emerick and Voskuhl.

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ST. XAVIER NEWS

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infested with rank bitterness clings to and conceals its evil, striving to gloss it over with a smooth smile. "Whitened sepulchers!" If you cannot give forth sweet waters, go to the wild, wasted ravine, to the barren poison-springs and do not infest whole-hearted, open-minded society, lest through your coldness the little warmth of happiness be chilled.

AUTUMN

Autumn leaves are turning brown;
Squirrels don a richer gown;
Nature smiles to hide a frown
In the spell-bound Autumn days.

Glossamers twine their silken coils
'Round each heart, eluding foils,
Driving 'way all sign of toils
In the mystic Autumn days.

Tresses of the maple tree
Wave again in vanity,
Golden days once more to see
In the care-free Autumn days.

Birds now fly our fickle land,
Leaving us a colder strand:
Memories of a faded hand
In the parting Autumn days.

Let's rejoice then, in queen Autumn
Who, when Winter came, hath fought him,
Yet with joys so rich hath fought him
In the generous Autumn days!

Junior—So you play the piano?
Dirksen—Of course!
Junior—I'd like to hear you play.
Dirksen—What shall I play about?
Junior—About a minute!

Raible—Been eating oranges, Joe?
Deunser—No! Why?
Raible—Why, I can see the skin all over your face!
Deunser—You cannot! Not ALL over!

Krivosnak—So your father's a motorman in Chicago?

Pickard—Sure; if you go there he might run across you!

"Jack"—What did the dentist do after he pulled your tooth?

"Jeff" (reminiscently)—He pulled my leg!

A lock of Napoleon's hair brought \$107 at an auction in New York. What do you suppose the Kaiser's mustache is worth in London?

To stay where you are you must run like everything.

Mr. Henry Lane Wilson, ambassador to Mexico, spoke at the college on Saturday, October 21, on the Mexican situation.

QUESTION BOX

Dear Editor—"Is a college education worth while?"

Answer—"We dunno; we read that two thousand and university students went to listen to Billy Sunday recently."

Dear Editor—"What is the most pressing problem of the day?"

Answer—"Search us; but speaking of a pressing problem, what about the guy with only one pair of trousers?"

Dear Editor: "Do people, as a rule, overeat?"

Answer—"A certain scientist says people should eat more than they do and we heartily agree with him. Lead us to the extra victuals!"

Dear Editor: "What is meant by the term 'snakes' as applied to a drunkard?"

Answer: "When you feel as though your veins were full of burning water and your mouth would gin two bales to the acre, when your knees knock together and you can see a pink giraffe climbing through the keyhole, while bed bugs as big as cats saunter carelessly about your room, when a regiment of imps are trying to crack your skull from the inside and your whole machinery is jammed and shrieking for water—when you feel this way, you may take it for granted that you have a slight touch of the 'snakes.' D'ye get us?"

Anthony—"Want a good way to find the prefect out?"

LaMere—"Yes, tell me."

Anthony—"Call when he is not at home."

LaMere—"I'm a lark; twee del lee dee."

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PERSONALS.

William Murphy of Crawfordsville, Indiana, a former student of St. Joe, visited at the college on Sunday, October 8.

George Kuntz was called home recently on account of the illness of his sister.

William McMahon and James Dowling visited the brother of the former on Sunday, October 15.

Mrs. Jung of Hammond, Indiana, called on her son Leo a few days ago. She was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. LaMere, also of Hammond, who visited their son William.

John Carlin was visited recently by his father.

Rev. Van Ree of North Judson called on Herbert Reed, who is a student, and spent Columbus day at the college.

KOENIG'S SUBMARINE

There was great excitement at the club the other day when Captain Koenig brought his submarine Deutschland across from the main building. Immediately after his arrival, the captain put on full speed and smoked away to the great delight of the many spectators. A large crowd of students, press reporters and squirrels surrounded the genial captain, who shook hands with everyone and thanked all for their compliments on his feat. The multitude was especially interested in the submarine's exterior. Captain Koenig has his insignia engraved in large characters along the side. He would not, however, allow anyone to run the boat, at which some of the onlookers said he was a tightwad and "afraid of it." Captain Koenig is about to accept a wager, made to him by some seniors, that he cannot bring his submarine from the main building, full steam ahead, without being seen by the prefects or club officers.

SOME CONSOLATION

Lause (in restaurant at Remington)—"It's tough when you have to pay forty-five cents for beef-steak."

John Ryan—"Yes, but it's tougher when you pay only twenty cents."

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